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The Honorable Jan Hill  
Mayor of the Haines Borough, and  
Haines Borough Assembly Members  
P.O. Box 1209  
Haines, Alaska 99827

Re: University of Alaska – Chilkat Peninsula Competitive Timber Sale

Dear Mayor Hill:

I wish to address the University of Alaska's (UA) perspective regarding our Chilkat Peninsula Competitive Timber Sale. The UA provides sound stewardship in managing its trust lands, especially regarding Natural Resource Development.

The UA advertised its Chilkat Peninsula Competitive Timber Sale to protect our interests because the Haines Borough Planning Commission was not engaging us, specifically their non-response to our public involvement and comments at the September 6, 2017 public meeting.

I wish to express to you that the UA is ready, willing, and able to participate in the process, but has not been given the opportunity. And, whatever resolution is reached, it has to address the interests of both Haines, the UA, Alaska Mental Health Trust and other large landowners.

I wish to emphasize it is not acceptable to ignore the UA's interests. As such, UA requests a joint work group consisting of yourself, committee from the Assembly and Planning Commission, and landowners to propose better solutions.

We look forward to working with you and the Assembly. I may be reached at 786-7781, at your convenience. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Christine Klein".

Christine Klein

cc: Wyn Menefee, Executive Director, Alaska Mental Health Trust Land Office  
Patrick Kelly, Regional Resource Manager, UA Facilities & Land Management